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CHRISTOS ANESTI CHRIST IS RISEN TRULY HE IS RISEN

Abundant Life Through the Resurrection



Those who believe in Him can now enjoy the fruits of new life.

Both the Bible and Tradition assure us that a new life in Christ is possible for us now and it is a sure gift coming from the saving work of Christ. The saints were empowered by this new life and testify to it as a dynamic reality which changed their lives. This abundant new life can become a part of our daily existence when we cooperate with God and respond with our whole being to God. Our personal response to God is crucial. We must personally reaffirm our baptismal pledge and say “YES” to God, “I belong to You Oh Lord.” Spiritual renewal comes from our commitment to Christ, receiving Holy Communion, through our daily prayers, and our sincere effort to live the kind of life that Christ lived and preached.

All this requires faith, repentance, and obedience. If we stumble and fall, God lovingly forgives us and teaches us precious lessons through our shortcomings. What matters the most is that we turn to Christ each time we fall and trust Him for strength and guidance and learn daily dependence on Him. Growth in Christ comes through our participation in the life of the Church. In our spiritual renewal, Christ is the center of the Church and the believer. As we pray in the Liturgy, we are to give ourselves and each other and our whole life to Christ our God. We must trust Christ and let Him rule so that all we think, say and do is according to His love, not according to our self will.

When we ask Him to come into our hearts, a personal relationship develops between Christ and the believer, as real as that between two good friends, or a husband and a wife. Spiritual renewal is a deeper knowledge of Christ Himself. Christ comes alive in us. As a church Father wrote: “For the believer Christ is everything.”

Each of us in our daily life frequently senses the difference between existing and living. We want to live but often we merely exist as we deal with self, others, our job, marriage, family, problems and responsibilities. Christ said, “I came that you may have life, and have it abundantly” John 10:10 Christ’s words were not merely intended for the future Kingdom, but also for our daily lives now. Christ completed his redemptive work through His person, teachings, death and resurrection.

Official Twitter account of St. Theodore Greek Orthodox Church of Maryland :

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MARCH/APRIL MEMORIALS

On March 17, 2019, there was a Four-Year Memorial for Annezou Papanicolaou, and 23-Year memorial for Alexandros Papanicolaou, the dearly departed parents of Xenis, Nick, Michael, Demetris, Andreas, & Photis Papanicolaou. May their memory be eternal.

On March 17, 2019, there was a two-year memorial service for the soul of Mr. Basil Soulios, the dear friend of George Philipopoulos. May his memory be eternal.

On March 24, 2019, there was a One-Year Memorial for Maria Tsioumas, dearly departed mother of George (Majida) Tsioumas, & Popi Papadopoulos, grandmother of Lena, Katerina and Vasili Papadopoulos, Joseph, Maria, Demetrios and Jacquelyn Tsioumas, and great grandmother of George, Brandon, & Najieh Panayiota Tsioumas. May her memory be eternal.

On March 24, 2019, there was a One-Year Memorial for John Canard, the dearly departed father of Maria & Paula. May his memory be eternal.

On April 7, 2019, there was a 19 Year Memorial for Anna Miltiadou, and a Four-Year Memorial for Michael Miltiadou, the dearly departed parents of Domna Georgallas and Dino Miltiadou. May their memory be eternal.

TRISAGIA

On March 3, 2019, there was a Nine-Month Trisagion Service for Panagiota Moniodis, the dearly departed mother of Paul (Juliana) Moniodis, grandmother of Anna (Jonathan), Nick, Christina, and great-grandmother of Juliana.

On March 3, 2019, there was a Nine-Year Trisagion Service for Greta Corbin-Horton, the dearly departed mother of Alex Andreadakis. May her memory be eternal.

ARTOCLASIA

On March 24, 2019, there was an Artoclasia or Blessing of the Loaves of Bread service in celebration of the feast of the Annunciation for the health of the Papanicolaou Family.

Making Arrangements for Sacraments


Please call the Church Office, 301-552-3540 or speak to Fr. Manuel to schedule Weddings at least 6 months in advance and Baptisms 3 months in advance. Please call the office at least one week ahead for Artoclasies, Trisagion or Memorial Services. For home blessings please call Father at 410-241-9690. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.


Special Thanks to John and Kaliope Polizos of Hometown Landscape & Lawn Services for all the landscaping that was done of our church grounds in preparation for Pascha. The grounds looked beautiful and we appreciate you donating your time and supplies to beautify our church. All of us at St. Theodore are grateful for your thoughtfulness and generosity. May God bless you always!

Chris E. Tsintolas D.D.S., M.S.
Orthodontic Specialist for Children and Adults

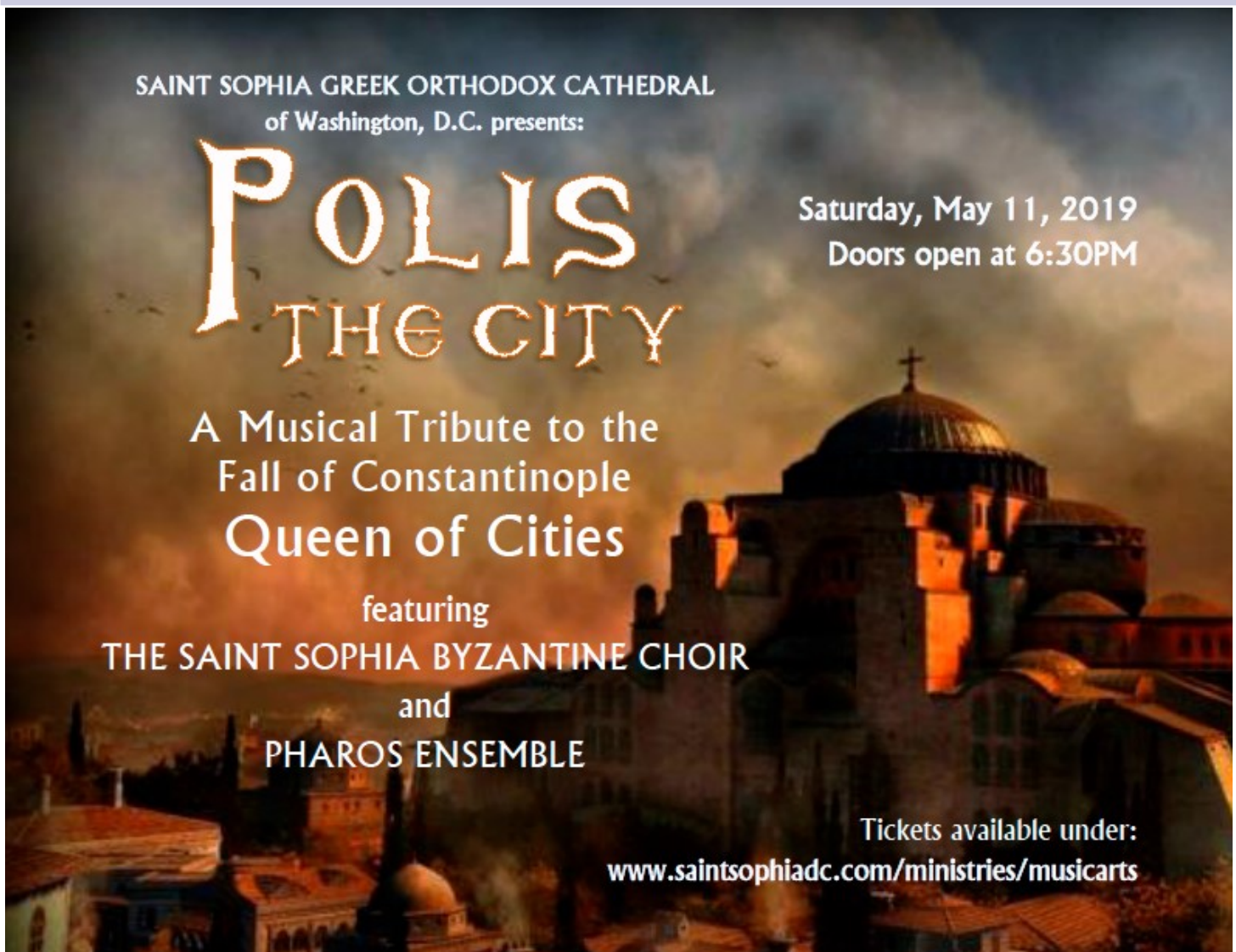
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SAINT SOPHIA GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL
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POLIS THE CITY

Saturday, May 11, 2019
Doors open at 6:30PM

A Musical Tribute to the
Fall of Constantinople
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and
PHAROS ENSEMBLE

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On Saturday, May 11, 2019, the 1,689th anniversary of the dedication of the “City of Constantine” (May 11th, 330), Saint Sophia, the “Holy Wisdom of God,” Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Washington, D.C., celebrating the 4th anniversary of its consecration, will take you on a musical journey lamenting the fall of the most extraordinary and longest-lasting empire in the history of the world, the eleven-centuries old Christian Empire of the Orthodox East, known to the West as Byzantium. This musical tribute will include commemorative songs mourning the genocide of the Greeks of Pontos and Asia Minor.

Under the direction of Master Chanter Georgios Theodoridis, the Saint Sophia Cathedral Byzantine Choir, in collaboration with professional Byzantine Chanters from across the east coast of America, and accompanied by the Pharos Ensemble of the Berklee College of Music, Boston, MA, the concert will feature Byzantine hymns, secular Byzantine music, and post-Byzantine songs.

Please join us so that together we may hymn, sing, and mourn the “POLIS,” Constantinople, the Queen and Mother City of all Orthodox Christians.

General Admission: \$25

Students: \$15

Book a row (10 seats): \$20/seat

Please register here: www.saintsophiadc.com/ministries/musicarts

Philoptochos Meetings

The next meeting will be on **Sunday, May 5, 2019** for nominations for the Philoptochos board.

On **Sunday, June 2, 2019**, the Philoptochos will have their elections.

Members, please make every effort to attend these meetings.

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St. Theodore Greek Cultural Festival 2019
June 13—16

Come out and immerse yourself in all things Greek. From food and dance, to music, culture and Greek Orthodoxy. Live music on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, folk dance troupes, a raffle with multiple chances to win, and rides for the kids!!



ST. THEODORE'S ANNUAL FESTIVAL RAFFLE

St. Theodore's Annual Greek Folk Festival Raffle Tickets are available each Sunday after church in the downstairs hall. Play your part in helping grow the church's mission, outreach and future endeavors. Tickets are \$5 each, or 5 for \$20. Tickets may also be purchased directly from members of the parish council and festival team. Prizes: 1st - \$1000 Cash, 2nd - 55" 4K Ultra HD LED TV, 3rd - Drone Quadcopter w/HD Camera. Drawing will be held the final day of the festival, June 16th @ 6 PM. Winner need not be present to win! Please support our church by purchasing and/or selling the tickets that you received.

SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER FOR FESTIVAL

The festival is the church's #1 fundraiser and its success depends on the continued generosity of time and support of each and every one of us. That success requires hands and many hands volunteering together as one to make the festival a memorable experience for the many visitors who come to enjoy the food and music, and soak in a little bit of the Greek culture and food. While lots of planning goes into the festival before the first guest arrives, the critical part of the festival reaching its full potential are the volunteers. So, please donate your time, as little as three or four hours. The more the better. Let's have some fun! Follow the Sign Up Genius link below to secure your time and station over the festival week-end.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080c49aac29a0ff2-2019>

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St. Theodore Greek Orthodox Church

GREEK FESTIVAL

June 13-16 Father's Day Weekend!

Thursday 11am - 7pm

Friday & Saturday 11am - 9pm & Sunday 11am - 7pm

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For Vendor Inquiries: vendor@sttheodores.org

Questions? festival@sttheodores.org

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STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FORM - 2019

As Orthodox Christians, we are called to be stewards of our Church. When we are faithful to this calling, then our Lord will say to us as he did to the faithful steward, "Well done good and faithful servant" (Mt 25:23).

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In gratitude for God's many blessings, I/we commit to the stewardship of St. Theodore's and pledge the following amount for 2018.

You may choose to offer weekly:

Or, monthly:

Or, annually

\$10 per week (\$520/yr)

\$40/mon (\$480)

\$ 400/yr

\$15 per week (\$780 /yr)

\$50/mon (\$600)

\$ 500/yr

\$20 per week (\$1040 /yr)

\$75/mon (\$900)

\$ 1,000/yr

\$25 per week (\$1300 /yr)

\$100/mon (\$1,200)

\$ 1,500/yr

\$50 per week (\$2600 /yr)

\$150/mon (\$1,800)

\$ 2,000/yr

Other per week \$ _____

Other per month \$ _____

Other \$ _____

VERY IMPORTANT
To help with printing costs and conserve on paper we agree to receive the Parish Newsletter by e-mail only. Yes

Please check to indicate that St. Theodore's Church is your primary place of worship.

Signature: _____

Once you make your pledge, you have the entire year to fulfill your pledge. You can pay by cash, check, through PAYPAL, or even through Bill Pay through your bank's checking account. You can also make a payment by going to our Church's website: www.sttheodores.org and click the "Online Store" to make a credit card payment. Children 18 and over and who are working should become members separate from parents. Children in college or graduate school can remain under their parent's membership but should still fill out this form.

Dependent Children's names and birthdates:

Your time & talent

I would like to offer my time and talents for the ministry of St. Theodore's (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Church School	<input type="checkbox"/> GOYA/YOUTH
<input type="checkbox"/> Greek School /PTO	<input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult
<input type="checkbox"/> Chanting	<input type="checkbox"/> Bible Study
<input type="checkbox"/> Philoptochos	<input type="checkbox"/> Baking Prosfhora
<input type="checkbox"/> Festival	<input type="checkbox"/> Grounds and Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising	<input type="checkbox"/> Altar Boy
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance Group	<input type="checkbox"/> Flowers/Decorations
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7

Dear Parishioners,

Printed in the Newsletter each month is the form to become a member of the Church. Please fill it out and send it back to us as soon as you can. It is so important for the vitality and growth of the church for all its members to be supportive each and every year. There is no better time than now to remember your church and become a supporting member. As of today, 85 families have pledged and we thank you. There are still many more families who have been members of St. Theodore's in the past and we need you to especially respond. Please do so by filling out the form and mailing it back. You do not need to pay all at once, but can make a monthly contribution which makes it much easier and affordable. God bless you and have a blessed New Year.

In Christ our Lord,
Father Manuel

STEWARDSHIP HONOR ROLL - PLEDGES FOR 2019 ΕΘΕΛΟΝΤΙΚΗ ΠΡΟΣΦΟΡΑ

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Fermuller
Bill & Leslie Sluger Angelis
Peter P. Boutselis
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Michael J. Burdusi
Fr. Manuel J. & Molly Burdusi
Bruce & Katerina Burleson
Lee & Mary Caprinolo
Michael & Anna Chandler
George & Mary Charuhas
Ariadne Coules
Patrick & Mary Curtis
Spero & Theano Demetrides
Reginald Desrosiers
Angeliki Fanourgakis
Ben & Lauren Ferry
Angeliki Frangos
Dimitrios & Myrofora Frantzis
Spyridon & Stavroula Galiatsatos
Randy E. & Anna Grow
Timothy & Cheryl Halkos
Dennis & Mary Herschbach
Stella Higgs
John-Peter Jalbert & Elizabeth
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Angela Jones
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Eugenia Kalis
Panagos & Maria Kapsalis
Stephen & Olga Karahalis
Diane Karras
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Kyriakos & Argiro Kiotsekoglou
Keith & Nicolette Kirby
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George Kollaros

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Sofia Padbury
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Jorgos & Meghan Zoto

As of **April 22, 2019** we have a total of **85** stewards who have signed up for their 2019 Stewardship of the church.

2019 Goal is \$100,000.00

Totals Pledged to date:

\$52,260.49

Total Paid: \$29,921.43

Balance: \$22,339.06

CREDIT CARD STEWARDSHIP PAYMENTS

If you would like to pay your stewardship monthly by credit card, please email square@sttheodores.org with your total pledge and frequency?



May/Μάιος 2019

Sunday Κυριακή	Monday Δευτέρα	Tuesday Τρίτη	Wednesday Τετάρτη	Thursday Πέμπτη	Friday Παρασκευή	Saturday Σάββατον
			1 Renewal Wednesday	2 Renewal Thursday	3 Renewal Friday Greek School/ Ελληνικό Σχολείο 5pm	4
5 Sunday of Thomas/ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΘΩΜΑ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am Sunday School/Κατηχητικό σχολείο Philoptochos Meeting	6	7	8	9	10 Greek School/ Ελληνικό Σχολείο 5pm	11
12 Sunday of the Myrrh Bearers/ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΜΥΡΟΦΟΡΩΝ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - Θ. ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am Sunday School/Κατηχητικό σχολείο	13	14	15	16	17 Greek School/ Ελληνικό Σχολείο 5pm	18
19 Sunday of the Paralytic/ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΡΑΛΥΤΟΥ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - Θ. ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am Sunday School/Κατηχητικό σχολείο	20	21 St. Constantine & Helen/ΑΓΙΩΝ ΚΩΝΣΤΑΝΤΙΝΟΥ & ΕΛΕΝΗΣ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:00 am	22	23	24 No Greek School	25
26 Sunday of the Samaritan Woman/ΤΗΣ ΣΑΜΑΡΕΙΤΙΔΟΣ Prayer Service for Memorial Day Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 8:45/10:15am No Sunday School	27 Memorial Day Office closed	28	29	30	31 Greek School/ Ελληνικό Σχολείο 5pm	

June/Ιούνιος 2019

Sunday Κυριακή	Monday Δευτέρα	Tuesday Τρίτη	Wednesday Τετάρτη	Thursday Πέμπτη	Friday Παρασκευή	Saturday Σάββατον
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2 Sunday of the Blind Man/ Κυριακή του τυφλού Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am Sunday School/Κατηχητικό σχολείο	3	4	5	6 Holy Ascension/ΤΗΣ ΑΝΑΛΗΨΕΩΣ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:00 am	7 Greek School/ Ελληνικό Σχολείο 5pm	8
9 Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council/ ΤΩΝ ΑΓΙΩΝ ΠΑΤΕΡΩΝ ΤΗΣ 1ης ΟΙΚΟΥΜΕΝΙΚΗΣ ΣΥΝΟΔΟΥ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - Θ. ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am	10	11 Come help set up for Festival 5-9p.m.	12 Come help set up for Festival 5-9p.m.	13 Greek Festival 11a.m.—7p.m.	14 Greek Festival 11a.m.—9p.m.	15 Saturday of Souls/ ΨΥΧΟΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:00 am Greek Festival 11a.m.—9p.m.
16 Holy Pentecost/ ΤΗΣ ΠΕΝΤΗΚΟΣΤΗΣ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am Greek Festival 11a.m.—7p.m.	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 All Saints/ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΑΓΙΩΝ ΠΑΝΤΩΝ Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am	24	25	26	27	28	29 SS Peter & Paul the Holy Apostles/ Πέτρου & Παύλου των Αγίων Αποστόλων Liturgy in Frederick MD
30 Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles/Σύναξις τῶν Αγίων Δώδεκα Αποστόλων Matins & Divine Liturgy/ ΟΡΘΡΟΣ - ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ 9:00/10:15 am						



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